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CLOSURE

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the final Office Action mailed November 17, 2000 in relation to the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 45-48.

31. (Amended) A tamper evident closure for a container having a neck defining an open upper end and an annual shoulder extending about the neck in close proximity to the open upper end thereof, the tamper evident closure comprising:

a sealing cap attachable to the neck in a manner